



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)
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**Worship services: Sundays at 9am,
Tuesdays at 12:10pm**

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Our Mission: "Reaching out to all people as Disciples of Christ, we serve God, proclaim our faith, and care for all creation."

Vision Statement: At Grace, we strive to Guide and nurture all individuals to be Resilient, Accepting Children of God rooted in the Enrichment of God's word.

Welcome to Worship: We encourage visitors to talk with our pastor following worship! Know that you are always welcome to join us for worship! If you are interested in becoming a member at any time, please contact the pastor.

Communion Instruction: Jesus Christ, present in this Meal of bread and wine, invites every person to share in Holy Communion, especially children. Ushers will direct you to the front, where you will come forward in an orderly fashion, receive a piece of bread, and then select either the red wine or the white grape juice and return to your seat. ***Gluten-free wafers are also available; talk to the pastor if you require gluten-free.*** If you would prefer not to commune today, you are welcome to come forward with your hands crossed to receive a blessing instead. If you would like your children to receive communion instruction prior to sharing in this Meal, please talk with the pastor before or after worship.

Offering: Offerings are not taken during worship. There is an offering plate at the back of the sanctuary and one near the front for you to drop an offering when you come up for communion. You may also scan the QR code on this page to give online.

Hearing Assistance Available: This facility is equipped with a hearing-assistance system. Please see an usher for assistance.

Nursery Available: We love to have children in worship with us. For those that play quietly there is a space for them to play with quiet toys in worship (the Pray-ground). A separate staffed nursery is provided for healthy children that are more active and like to be a bit louder.

♦ = The congregation is invited to stand)

PRELUDE (Organ) John A. Behnke, 5 Preludes of Praise, Set 4 (2003)

1. Praise the Almighty, My Soul Adore Him - Tune: Lobe den Herren, O meine seele
2. Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me - Tune: Ryburn
3. Lord of the Dance / 'Tis the Gift to Be Simple - Tune: Simple Gifts
4. Children of the Heavenly Father - Tune: Tryggare Kan Ingen Vara

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO WORSHIP (Women's Choir) Peter C. Lutkin (1858-1931). "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (arr. from Ludwig von Beethoven (1770-1827), Finale of the Ninth Symphony)

♦ **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** (*Please stand*)

P In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation....Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin....Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God...and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

♦ **GREETING** (*Please stand*)

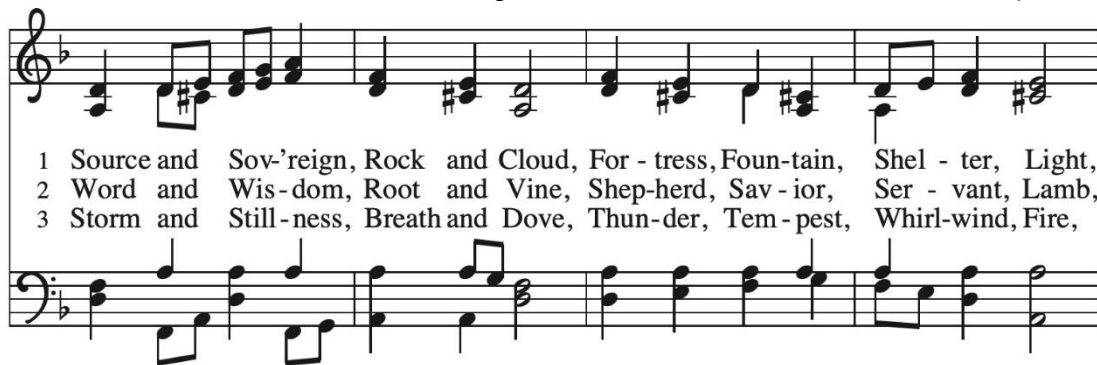
P: The grace of our Lord... be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

♦ **PRAYER OF THE DAY** (*Please stand*)


P: Let us pray. (*Silence is kept for reflection*) Almighty Creator and ever-living God... Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

GATHERING SONG *Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud*

(ACS 947)

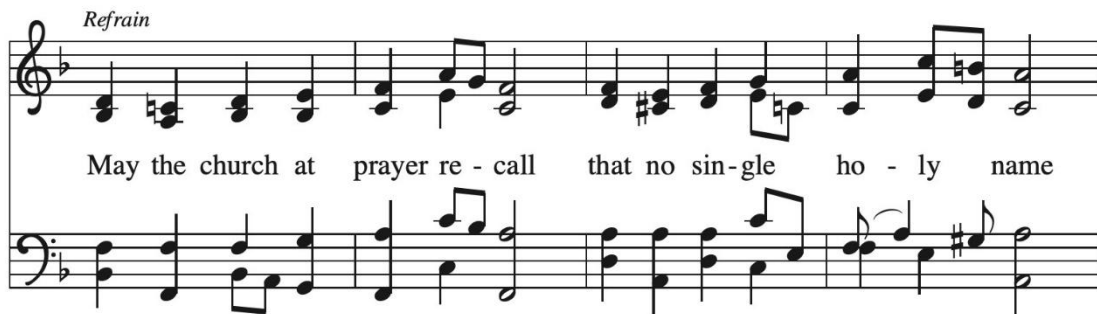


1 Source and Sov'-reign, Rock and Cloud, For - tress, Foun-tain, Shel - ter, Light,
 2 Word and Wis-dom, Root and Vine, Shep-herd, Sav - ior, Ser - vant, Lamb,
 3 Storm and Still-ness, Breath and Dove, Thun-der, Tem - pest, Whirl-wind, Fire,



Judge, De - fend - er, Mer - cy, Might, Life whose life all life en-dowed:
 Well and Wa - ter, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM:
 Com - fort, Coun-s'lor, Pres - ence, Love, En - er - gies that nev - er tire:

Refrain



May the church at prayer re - call that no sin - gle ho - ly name



but the truth be - hind them all is the God whom we pro - claim.

FIRST READING Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

¹ Does not wisdom call and understanding raise her voice? ² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴ "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all who live.

²² "The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields or the world's first bits of soil. ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker, and I was daily his delight, playing before him always, ³¹ playing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

L: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM Psalm 8

Refrain:



Your glo - ry is chant - ed a - bove the heav - ens.

L: O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

C: you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children; you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger. R

L: When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

C: what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them? R

L: Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

C: You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

L: all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

C: the birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

L: O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! **R**

ANTHEM (Women's Choir) Hal H. Hopson, "For the Beauty of the Earth" (1982)

SECOND READING Romans 5:1-5


¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

L: Word of God. Word of Life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

◆ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(ELW Setting 10)



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.

Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.

Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

◆ GOSPEL John 16:12-15

P: The holy gospel, according to John, the 16th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord. (*The gospel is announced*)

[Jesus said,] ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

P: The gospel of our Lord. **C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

SERMON

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, truth di - vine, dawn up - on this soul of mine;
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, love di - vine, glow with - in this heart of mine;
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, for - ti - fy this will of mine;
 4 Ho - ly Spir - it, peace di - vine, still this rest - less heart of mine;
 5 Ho - ly Spir - it, right di - vine, king with - in my con - science reign;

breath of God and in - ward light, wake my spir - it, clear my sight.
 kin - dle ev - 'ry high de - sire; purge me with your ho - ly fire.
 by your will I strong - ly live, brave - ly bear, and no - bly strive.
 speak to calm this toss - ing sea, stayed in your tran - quil - i - ty.
 be my guide, and I shall be firm - ly bound, for - ev - er free.

NICENE CREED

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P: God of mercy, **C: hear our prayer.**

P: Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **C: Amen.**

◆ EUCHARISTIC PRAYER (*Please stand*)

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty...join their unending hymn: ***Holy, Holy, Holy* (ELW Setting 10)**



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

P: Holy God, holy and mighty....we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: With this bread and cupall our sins and sorrows will be no more.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: Holy God, holy and merciful one....sharing your bounty with all the world.

C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P: Holy and benevolent God....the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and forever. **C: Amen.**

◆ THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Please stand*)

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

(ELW Setting 10)



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;

3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.

you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.

e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION SONG *O Trinity, O Blessed Light*

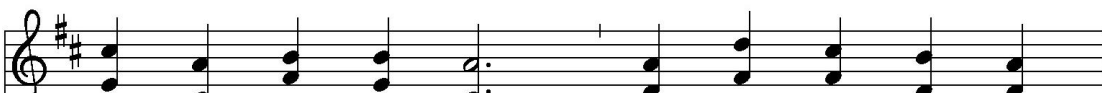
(ELW 571)



1 O Trin - i - ty, O bless - ed Light, O U - ni -

2 To you our morn - ing song of praise, to you our

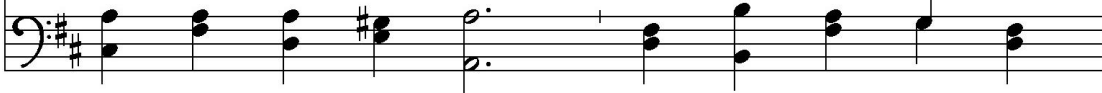
3 All glo - ry be to God a - bove and to the



ty of sov - 'reign might: as now the fi - 'ry

eve - ning prayer we raise; to you in awe we

Son, the prince of love, and to the Spir - it,



sun de - parts, shed ho - ly light with - in our hearts.

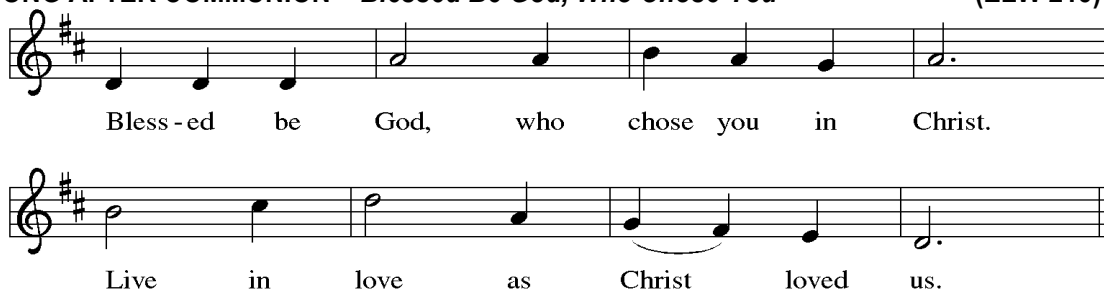
bend the knee from age to age, e - ter - nal - ly.

One in Three! We praise you, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.



SONG AFTER COMMUNION *Blessed Be God, Who Chose You*

(ELW 215)



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: God of abundance.....our risen Lord. **C: Amen.**

♦ BLESSING

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace. **C: Amen.**



♦ SENDING SONG *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

(ELW 834)

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light;

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der; oh, help us to see

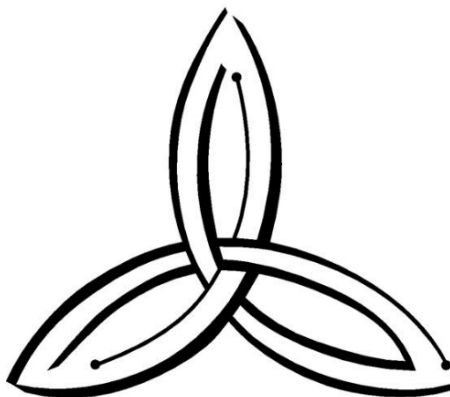
al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise!
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

♦ **DISMISSAL** (*Please stand*)

P: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE (Organ) John A. Behnke, "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty," from 5 Preludes of Praise, Set 4 (2003) – Tune: Lobe den Herren



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Music Notes:

Special music today comes from the Women's Choir, singing two selections from their repertoire of the past year. The **Last Prelude** is an arrangement of the familiar melody from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony by Peter C. Lutkin, an American organist, choral conductor, composer and professor and dean at Northwestern University. As a composer, he specialized in writing unaccompanied choral music, primarily for his own choirs. **After the Psalm** the group presents a combination of two original tunes for Pierpoint's famous text, "For the Beauty of the Earth". For the first two verses, the ladies present the first tune in unison, then the second is sung by the sopranos, and finally, the two tunes are combined for verse 4. The arranger, Hal Hopson (b.1933) is a full-time composer and church musician residing in Cedar Park, Texas with over 3,000 published works. His cantata, "God with Us," was one of the few compositions selected to be placed in a time capsule during the American Bicentennial in 1979 to be opened and heard again in 2076.

The **Hymn of the Day** was written by Samuel Longfellow (1819-1892), brother and biographer of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807-1882), who was one of his teachers at Harvard. He earned his divinity degree at Harvard in 1846, then served as a Unitarian minister. He was a pacifist and abolitionist and supporter of women's rights. The tune, "Song 13," was by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625), organist at the Chapel Royal and at Westminster Abbey. He was one of the best organists and composers of his time.

The **Organ** music is by John Behnke, Emeritus Professor of Music at Concordia University in Mequon, where he taught organ and handbells, and directed the Alleluia Ringers, Concordia's touring handbell choir for 29 years. He received his M. Mus. and D. Mus. from Northwestern University and studied for a year at the Westphalian Church Music Institute in Hereford, Germany.

Next week: Piano and organ duets with Pam Johnson on piano.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>This Sunday Worship Leaders</u>	<u>Next Sunday Worship Leaders</u>
Greeter: Sandy Smith	Greeter: TBD
Reader: Pam Johnson	Reader: Michelle Hogan
Wine: Pam Johnson, DawnMark Bacon-Johnson	Wine: TBD, TBD
Usher: TBD	Usher: TBD
Comm. Set Up: Bev Leidel	Comm. Set Up: TBD
Coffee Fellowship: Anna Martin, Karen Petersen, Holly Grassin-Kremmel, Janie Robbins	Coffee Fellowship: TBD

This week at Grace

- Sun 6/15 8:15am Women's Choir Warms Up
9am Worship – Women's Choir Sings
- Mon 6/16 2:30pm Violin Lessons
- Tue 6/17 12:10pm Devotional Worship
- Wed 6/18 9am Guest House Sandwiches
3pm Violin Lessons
7pm Pastor's Patio Ponderings ~ *Christian Nationalism*
- Sun 6/22 Piano/Organ Duet warm-up
9am Worship – Piano/Organ Duets during worship

Grace's Welcome Statement: Grace Lutheran Church is a religious community that celebrates the gifts of God that empower us to engage in the struggles of life, to care for each other, and to serve Christ where we work and live. Grace is a "Reconciling in Christ" congregation, which means we welcome the participation of people of all ages, races, ethnic backgrounds, sexual orientations, gender identities, education backgrounds, and economic conditions – all who want to join us in serving God, proclaiming our faith, and caring for all creation.

Grace Membership: We will be receiving new members in August. If you are interested in becoming a member and haven't already contacted Pastor Bill, please do so (262-674-4714) or respond to this email.

Member Directory: Directories are available on the communication desk. If you would prefer a pdf version of the directory, please call or email the office.



Fun Before the 4th! Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 28, when Grace will again be participating in the Fun Before the 4th parade! We will be serving kosher beef hot dogs and water to parade attendees starting at 10am as we have done in the past.

Church Brewer Game: The Youngs sponsor this event but they are very busy with travel and family this summer, so it was decided that there will not be a church sponsored tailgate and game this year. Hopefully we can put something together for next Summer. Thank-you Terry and Kathy and all the helpers for putting this together all the past years. Go Brewers!

Coffee Fellowship Coordinators: We are in need of one or more volunteers to help coordinate with getting folks to bring treats for Coffee Fellowship on Sunday mornings after worship. It would also be their responsibility to see that the kitchen is stocked with needed supplies such as paper plates, napkins, plastic forks and spoons. These items are paid for by the church. Sandy watches the coffee supply and makes sure that is ordered.

If you have any interest at all, please contact Janie Robbins at (262)646-4628, Jerobbins99@att.net or contact Sandy at the church office.



Guest House Sandwiches: We assemble sandwiches for the guests at the Guest House *twice* each month – on the first and third Wednesdays at 9am. Join us for this opportunity to serve and to enjoy fellowship with one another on **June 18**.

Update to Isaiah 55 Food Pantry (All Peoples Church): Donations to the food pantry are appreciated more than ever as the need continues to increase. You may drop food and hygiene items off in the bins just outside the Luther room.



“Lend A Hand” Board: As you enter the building near the pastor’s office you will notice the new “Lend a Hand” board. This board contains small tasks that need to be done around the building from time to time. Perhaps you have some time on a rainy afternoon? Perhaps you are waiting for a loved one to get out of a meeting? Perhaps you’re bored and want to do an act of service? This board will help you find jobs around the church that help make this place looking great from day to day. Just take a task off the board if you plan on doing it and when the task is complete, place the card in the offering plate. This will help us to know things are done. Let us know if you see anything around the building that we can add to this list and have a great time keeping Grace clean and in good shape.

Mutual Ministry Team Members: Below are the current Mutual Ministry Team members in the event you would like to contact one of these leaders. The MMC is the liaison between the congregation, the pastor and other staff.

Dan Umhoefer Theresa Umhoefer
Matt Junker Pam Stockbridge

2025 Council: Below are the 2025 Council members in the event you would like to contact one of these leaders.

Ryan Bernard (President): 920-418-5235 Janie Robbins (VP): 262-646-4628 Kevin Sibley (Treasurer): 262-302-8182 JoAnn Holdmann (Secretary): 262-290-1609	Diana Koppa: 414-254-9983 David Rockwood: 262-389-4045 Geri Schesel: 262-227-9251
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Pastor's Patio Ponderings: Pastor's Patio Ponderings is our summer educational opportunity at Grace Lutheran. It is a one night/one topic discussion that happens on the pastor's patio. If there is inclement weather, we will meet in the gathering area at the church. Please bring a lawn chair and be prepared for some interesting discussion.

- **June 18 @ 7pm** - Christian Nationalism - Much of the news recently has talked about Christian Nationalism. This is a repeat conversation from this past winter. We will discuss the questionable biblical basis for Christian Nationalism and how believers should respond.
- **July 2 @ 7pm** - What is the ELCA? How can denominations be helpful? - Why are there so many different kinds of Lutherans? What kind of Lutheran are we? What is a 'predecessor church body'? Where do my offerings go? What does the ELCA believe and practice?
- **July 16 @ 7pm** - What is God's Will? How does the Bible guide us through turbulent times? So many times, when things happen, people will respond, "Well, it must be God's will." Handy excuse or biblical reality?
- **July 30 @ 7pm** - The Revelation of John or What is heaven? - The Revelation of John (the final book of the Bible) gives us some amazing views of heaven. Is this what we can expect? What about all those people who 'went to heaven' and came back?
- **August 13 @ 6:30pm** - Confirmation Class Questions - Each week we ask our confirmation students to do sermon notes. On these sheets they can ask questions about the worship or the scriptures. These questions have been so thought provoking we wanted to share them with the rest of the congregation. Come hear what the younger members of our congregation ask, and bring some of your own questions as well.

Worship Volunteers: Calling all readers, wine servers, ushers, greeters, communion setup folks and coffee fellowship helpers! There is a hard copy of the SignupGenius form on the communication desk for those that find it easier to sign up on their way in or out of church. The link sent out in the Grace Notes is still active and available, and this QR code can also be used to connect to the Signup Genius. Emails and phone calls are always welcome as well. Thank you for all your help!



Celebrations this week:

Birthdays this week: Charlie Ferguson – 6/16, Maggie Ferguson – 6/16, John Liegeois – 6/17, Sandy Smith – 6/17, Richard Ellner – 6/18, Chris Campbell – 6/19, Jeanne Stauss – 6/19, Alice Blank – 6/20, Christa Buchweitz – 6/20, Theresa Umhoefer – 6/20, Karen Petersen – 6/21, Calvin Wolf – 6/21

Anniversaries: Bob & Diane Weber – 6/16, John & Pam Stockbridge – 6/17

Prayers: Chevelle Lutze (Veronica Junker's great-niece), Lana (Janie Robbins's cousin), Andy Roehrborn (cousin of Matt Junker) Liane Callow (Pr. Bill's Sister), Debbie (friend of Dawn Omernik), Rick Chu (Veronica Junker's uncle), Drew Liegeios, John Haut (friend of Matt Junker).

